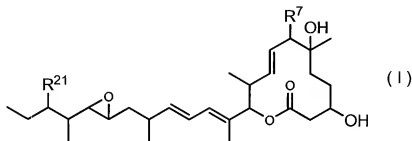


AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently Amended) A compound represented by the formula (I):



wherein R^7 and R^{21} are the same or are different and represent

-O-benzoyl,

OH, or

$RC(=Y)-O-$, wherein Y represents an oxygen atom, and R represents

piperazinyl, alkyl, -O-phenyl, -N-alkyl or -NH-phenyl,

a C_6 -to C_{14} -aryl group which may have a substituent, or

a C_6 -to C_{14} -aryloxy group which may have a substituent, or

$R^{N1}R^{N2}N-R^M$, wherein R^M represents

a) a single bond;

b) $-CO-O-$;

c) $-CS-O-$ or

d) $-CONR^{N3}$, wherein R^{N3} represents a hydrogen atom or a C_1 -to C_6 -alkyl group which may have a substituent, provided that, the leftmost bond in b) to e) is bonded to the nitrogen atom, and

wherein R^{N1} and R^{N2} are the same or are different and represent

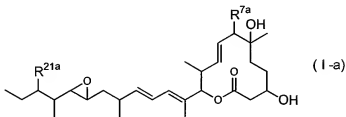
- a) a hydrogen atom;
- b) a C_1 to C_{22} alkyl group which may have a substituent;
- c) an unsaturated C_2 to C_{22} alkyl group which may have a substituent;
- d) an aliphatic C_2 to C_{22} acyl group which may have a substituent;
- e) an aromatic C_7 to C_{15} acyl group which may have a substituent;
- f) a C_6 to C_{14} aryl group which may have a substituent;
- g) a 5-membered to 14-membered heteroaryl group which may have a substituent;
- h) a C_7 to C_{22} aralkyl group which may have a substituent;
- i) a C_1 to C_{22} alkylsulfonyl group which may have a substituent;
- j) a C_6 to C_{14} arylsulfonyl group which may have a substituent;
- k) a 3-membered to 14-membered non-aromatic heterocyclic group formed by R^{N1} and R^{N2} together in combination with the nitrogen atom to which R^{N1} and R^{N2} are bonded; wherein the 3-membered to 14-membered non-aromatic heterocyclic group may have a substituent;
- l) a 5-membered to 14-membered heteroaralkyl group which may have a substituent;
- m) a C_2 to C_{14} cycloalkyl group which may have a substituent or
- n) a 3-membered to 14-membered non-aromatic heterocyclic group which may have a substituent; or

a pharmacologically acceptable salt thereof, thereof.

wherein said substituents are each independently selected from the group consisting of: C_1 - C_6 alkyl group, phenyl group, halogen, hydroxyl group, C_1 - C_6 alkoxy group, thiol group, C_1 -

C₆ alkylthio group, nitro group, nitroso group, cyano group, C₁-C₆ alkoxy, carbonyl group, amino group, mono-(C₁-C₆ alkyl)-amino group, di-(C₁-C₆ alkyl)-amino group, pyrrolidyl group, piperadyl group, piperidyl group and pyridyl group.

2. (Currently Amended) The compound according to claim 1 represented by the formula (I-a):



wherein R^{7a} and R^{21a} are the same or are different and represent

R^aC(=Y^a)-O-, wherein Y^a represents an oxygen atom, and R^a represents

a C₆ to C₁₄ aryl group which may have a substituent, or

a C₆ to C₁₄ aryloxy group which may have a substituent, or

R^{aN1}R^{aN2}N-CO-O-, wherein R^{aN1} and R^{aN2}, the same or different, represent

a) a hydrogen atom;

[[b)]] a C₁ to C₂₂ alkyl group which may have a substituent,

[[c)]] an unsaturated C₂ to C₂₂ alkyl group which may have a substituent,

d) a C₆ to C₁₄ aryl group which may have a substituent,

e) a 5-membered to 14-membered heteroaryl group which may have a substituent,

~~f) a C₇ to C₂₂ aralkyl group which may have a substituent;~~

~~g) a 3-membered to 14-membered non-aromatic heterocyclic group formed by R^{an1} and R^{an2} together in combination with the nitrogen atom to which R^{an1} and R^{an2} are bonded, wherein the 3-membered to 14-membered non-aromatic heterocyclic group may have a substituent;~~

~~h) a 5-membered to 14-membered heteroaralkyl group which may have a substituent;~~

~~[[i)]] a C₃ to C₁₄ cycloalkyl group which may have a substituent or~~

~~j) a 3-membered to 14-membered non-aromatic heterocyclic group which may have a substituent; or~~

~~R^{an1}R^{an2}N-CS-O-, wherein R^{an1} and R^{an2} are the same as defined above;~~

~~[[;]] or a pharmacologically acceptable salt thereof; thereof.~~

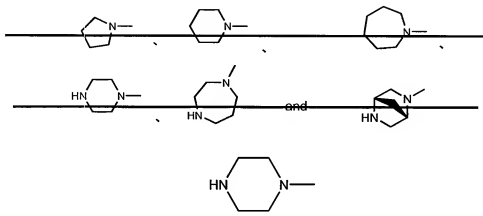
~~wherein said substituents are each independently selected from the group consisting of:~~

~~C₁-C₆ alkyl group, phenyl group, halogen, hydroxyl group, C₁-C₆ alkoxy group, thiol group, C₁-C₆ alkylthio group, nitro group, nitroso group, cyano group, C₁-C₆ alkoxy carbonyl group, amino group, mono-(C₁-C₆ alkyl) amino group, di-(C₁-C₆ alkyl) amino group, pyrrolidyl group, piperadyl group, piperidyl group and pyridyl group.~~

3. (Canceled).

4. (Currently Amended) The compound according to claim 1, wherein R⁷ and R²¹ R^{N1} and R^{N2} are the same or are different and represent a C₁ to C₆ alkyl group or C₆ to C₁₄ aryl group;

or form, together in combination with the nitrogen atom to which R^{N1} and R^{N2} are bonded, a non-aromatic heterocyclic group selected from the group consisting of:



or a pharmacologically acceptable salt thereof.

5-18. (Canceled).

19. (Currently Amended) The compound according to claim 1, which is (8E,12E,14E)-21-benzoyloxy-3,6-dihydroxy-6,10,12,16,20-pentamethyl-7-((4-methylpiperazin-1-yl)carbonyl)oxy-18,19-epoxytricos-8,12,14-trien-11-olide, (8E,12E,14E)-21-(N,N-dimethylcarbamoyloxy)-3,6-dihydroxy-6,10,12,16,20-pentamethyl-7-((4-methylpiperazin-1-yl)carbonyl)oxy-18,19-epoxytricos-8,12,14-trien-11-olide, (8E,12E,14E)-3,6-dihydroxy-6,10,12,16,20-pentamethyl-21-N,N-dimethylcarbamoyloxy-7-((4-methylpiperazin-1-yl)carbonyl)oxy-18,19-epoxytricos-8,12,14-trien-11-olide and (8E,12E,14E)-3,6-dihydroxy-6,10,12,16,20-pentamethyl-7-((4-methylpiperazin-1-yl)carbonyl)oxy-21-phenylcarbamoyloxy-18,19-epoxytricos-8,12,14-trien-11-olide; or a

pharmacologically acceptable salt thereof.

20. (Canceled).

21. (Previously Presented) A pharmaceutical composition comprising the compound according to claim 1, or a pharmacologically acceptable salt thereof as an active ingredient and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

22-45. (Canceled).